son had written the peace note on his own typewriter, and that none of the executive staff had any hand in it. No newspaperman, he believed, had knowingly violated confidence on Sec'y Lansing's announcement about the note.

Tumulty criticized Rep. Wood for demanding an investigation on such "filmsy evidence" as the A. Curtis

letter.

Sec'y of State Lansing told the committee of the preparation of the note, detailing the hands through which it had passed before being dispatched. He said every man who had handled the document was a trusted employe and he was unable to account for the leak.

## GERMANS CAPTURE FOCSANI WITH 3,910 PRISONERS

Berlin, via Wireless to Sayville.— Focsani was captured by Germans yesterday with 3,910 prisoners.

Forcing back of Rumanian forces from strongly fortified main pass of Mor Odobeat to Putna, and storming, in hand-to-hand fighting, of enemy positions south of Milcovu reported.

Focsani lies nearly 100 miles north of Bucharest. It is an important strategic point midway between Hungary and Russia in narrowest part of neck which connects Rumania with northern province of Moldavia.

Paris.—Patrol engagements in the Bouchavenes region and forest of Parroy reported. Elsewhere nothing

important.

Berlin, via Wireless to Sayville.— Loss of six aeropianes by enemy through German air victories and shots from defensive cannon announced from western front. Artillery duels increased in intensity on Yser front.

Russian forces which attacked again yesterday with strong columns on front west of the road from Riga to Mitau, succeeded in broadening somewhat the terrain gained Jan. 5 on the As river. MODEL MURDER NOT SOLVED-LEWIS' NAME MAY BE CLEARED OF GUILT

Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—The murder of Mazie Colbert, pretty model, which was thought cleared by the suicide of Bernard W. Lewis, Pittsburgh millionaire's son, became a live mystery today.

Detectives are searching for a man who was brought into the case by Bessie Colbert, sister of the dead model. Bessie Colbert declared she heard one of her sister's wealthy ad-

mirers say:

"I'll get back that diamond ring even if I have to choke the life out of her."

The entire case probably will be reopened. Lewis committed suicide in an Atlanic Cly hotel last Thursday when police were about to arrest him in connection with the murder.

Another piece of information that detectives must investigate is that a woman is said to have declared she saw Maizie Colbert alive on Friday, Dec. 29, last. That is the day she is supposed to have been murdered.

If this statement can be proved true, then Lewis' name will be clear of all blame, for he was known to have been in Germantown Friday afternoon, visiting the Misses Ethel and Mabel Kyle, who were with him in his taxicab the night before, when he is said to have gone to Miss Colbert's apartment.

## CAR HITS WOMAN—CREW FLED SAY THE POLICE

According to story told police, the crew of a Blue Island interurban car fled after carrying into a saloon a woman hit by their car at 99th and Vincennes road.

Woman was Miss Ida Green, 9752 Winston av. She bruised about both hips and severely cut. She told police the motorman was No. 109 and the conductor No. 230.

The game of polo was introduced into Britain from India in 1872,